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Enlarged School Grounds Sought For Hazelwood

Boys Club Names Committee To Seek Land From School

Hazelwood Boosters club Thursday night to get details to enlarge the school grounds, and provide a place for loading and school buses.

Green president, named as W. A. Bradley and Art Roberson, as a committee to take immediate action on the matter. Mr. Prevost proposed a culvert be placed in the road crossing the property, funds levied for a suit-land. The proposal also included grading of a driveway to the school.

The committee was instructed to seek adequate lighting for the old building, and a sewer for the stairs connecting the two buildings.

The school would more than double playground space, which is owned by the school, and is not being utilized.

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Apple Men Make Plans For Haywood Association

Committee Is Named At Meeting Friday To Draw Plans For Association

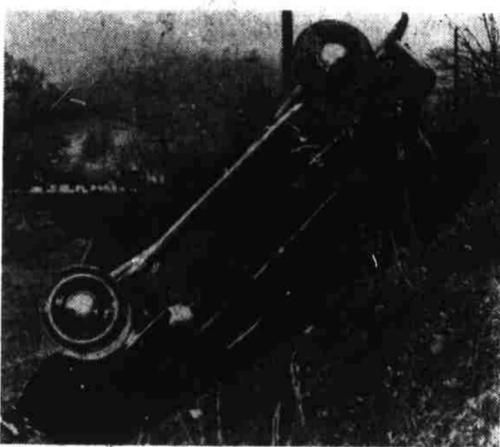
At a meeting of Haywood County orchardmen Friday night at the county agent's office, a committee was selected to prepare plans for a county association to promote the apple industry here in its technical phases, including research and marketing.

Named to the committee to make preliminary plans for the organization were Charles Edwards, Joe Boone and Zack Massey. Another meeting of the orchardmen will be called within the next few weeks to consider the plans and form the association.

In addition to the growers, specialists in the apple field who attended and contributed their ideas were E. L. Johnston and S. L. Clement of Knoxville, representing the TVA cooperatives; Lloyd Langdon of Asheville, of the agricultural development section of Carolina power and light company, and John E. Barr, former head of the TVA cannery cooperatives.

Mr. Barr described the facilities of the Land of the Sky cannery in Hazelwood, now inoperative and offered for sale by the government, and its possible use by orchardmen for conversion to a grading and packing plant.

Car Overtakes After Collision



THE PICTURE ABOVE shows the coupe of Dr. W. L. Kirkpatrick on the Dellwood road embankment, two and one-half miles from Waynesville, in the overturned position it reached after colliding with another coupe Friday afternoon.

—A Mountaineer photo by Ingram's Studio.

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Funeral Is Held Monday For Dr. W. L. Kirkpatrick, Prominent Physician Here

Folklore Material Is Gathered Here By Post Writer

Harold D. Martin, special feature writer for the Saturday Evening Post, returned to Atlanta Sunday after spending several days in this section gathering material for an article concerning the Southern Appalachians.

Wednesday he spent the day with Sam Queen, manager of the Soco Gap square dance team, at his home on the Dellwood road, and the following afternoon interviewed a number of the members of the dance group. While here, Mr. Martin was accompanied by Bill Sharpe of the North Carolina news bureau and Lamar Lunsford of Asheville.

The group spent Thursday night at Cataloochee Ranch on Fire Top mountain as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Alexander, where Mr. Martin gained further information about the famous hog rifle shooting matches staged each summer.

Saturday night the group attended one of the regular square dances at Bent Creek ranch.

A recent feature by Mr. Sharpe on Sam Queen and his famous Soco Gap dancers drew the attention of the editors of the Post, which resulted in Mr. Martin being sent here. He has a contract to supply 12 articles a year to the magazine, and recently toured the South Pacific area for six months searching for material.

MILK PRODUCERS TO MEET

Officers and directors of the Haywood County Milk Producers association will meet Friday evening at the county agent's office, it is announced by James Kirkpatrick, president.

Death Resulted From Injuries Sustained In Automobile Accident

Funeral services for Dr. William L. Kirkpatrick, 77, prominent Waynesville physician who died Sunday morning at the Haywood County Hospital from injuries received Friday afternoon from an automobile collision on the Dellwood road, were held Monday afternoon at the First Methodist church.

The Rev. Paul Townsend of Greensboro, former pastor of the church, officiated, assisted by the Rev. L. G. Elliott, pastor of the First Baptist church. Interment was in Green Hill cemetery.

Active pallbearers were Robert C. Ligon, J. W. Duckworth, Harry McCracken, Ward Kirkpatrick, Carroll McCracken, Marshall Kirkpatrick, Carroll Long and Wayne McCracken. Members of the Haywood County Medical society were honorary pallbearers.

The service was attended by hundreds of persons who came to pay final respects to Dr. Kirkpatrick. Automobiles were parked as far as four blocks away from the church. The current term of Superior Court adjourned at noon to avoid conflict with the service.

A native of the Crabtree section, Dr. Kirkpatrick was the son of Milas and Anne Byers Kirkpatrick. He was a graduate of old Weaver college and the medical school of Vanderbilt university. He was licensed to practice medicine in North Carolina in 1894, also being licensed for practice in South Carolina, Tennessee and Texas.

Dr. Kirkpatrick practiced in Haywood county from 1894 until 1903, when he became physician for the Paolet Manufacturing company of Paolet, S. C., a position he held for 25 years. In 1925 he returned to Waynesville, where he had been (Continued on Page Eight)

Phone Line To Maggie To Be Up By March 1

Surveys Being Made On Rural Line In Crabtree and Fines Creek Sections

Construction of the telephone line between Dellwood and Maggie, now underway, is expected to be completed by March 1, according to W. L. Lampkin, manager of the Waynesville area, Southern Bell Telephone Co.

The line will be approximately six miles in length and connections provided for 80 homes. It will reach houses along highway 19 between Dellwood and the Black Camp Gap road junction.

Surveys are being made in Iron Duff and Crabtree townships for a proposed rural line, but no actual construction has been scheduled.

There are approximately 300 requests for service in the Waynesville exchange area, reports Mrs. Fay Toy. The shortage of cable still is holding back the installation of telephones in Waynesville and Hazelwood, since a number of the cables carry their full capacity of lines.

An average of 13,400 local calls a day are being handled by the exchange, much higher than ever before, states Mrs. Laura Reardon. There were three switchboards added to the central office during the past year, opening one of the "hot-line" circuits that had existed and providing facilities for a large number of telephone users.

On Christmas day the exchange put through "at least a third" more local calls than on a normal business day, reports Mrs. Reardon, and had a heavy volume of long distance calls. Long distance lines were flooded everywhere with holiday calls, which caused many delays but were handled as efficiently as possible.

Additional circuits to Asheville—through which over 90 per cent of long distance calls originating here are directed—have been promised for the summer months.

Infant Mortality Is Above Average In Haywood

The infant death rate in Haywood county for the year 1946 was 39.1 per 1,000 live births, according to statistics published in recent U.N.C. News Letter, slightly higher than the state and national averages.

In 1945, North Carolina ranked 35th among the states with an average of 43.3 per 1,000 live births; whereas infant deaths for the following year—3,505 of 94,778 births—lowered the rate to 37 per 1,000.

Yancey county recorded the best average, 9 per 1,000; and Hoke county was at the bottom of the list with 71.8 infant deaths, on the average, for 1,000 live births. Haywood was listed 61st among the 100 counties.

McCrary Elected Head of Farm Unit

Heads Bureau



CHARLES McCRARY of Fines Creek is the newly-elected president of the Haywood County Federation of the National Farm Bureau.

Haywood Group Organizes At Well-Attended Meeting Here Saturday

Charles B. McCrary of Fines Creek, who attended the National Farm Bureau convention last month in Chicago, was elected president of the Haywood county unit at a meeting Saturday morning in the courthouse here, attended by more than 100 farmers.

M. W. Carver of Jonathan Creek was elected vice president; David Underwood, of Waynesville, secretary; and Oral Yates of Iron Duff, treasurer.

C. C. Francis, elected temporary chairman last autumn when the bureau unit was starting its reorganization drive in Haywood, presided at the meeting.

George Farthing, district field man for the state bureau, spoke to the group, setting forth the numerous advantages to be gained by membership in the organization, and urged the Haywood group to increase their number. He also congratulated the unit on its progress in recent months.

A report of happenings at the national convention was given by Mr. McCrary, who also explained the set-up and work of the national organization.

A number of important committees were named during the morning session. They included the following board of directors: C. C. Francis, chairman; John W. Boyd, L. N. Davis, Fred Campbell, Glenn Boyd, Albert Ferguson, Raymond McCracken, Sam Ledford, William Osborne, Floyd Rhinehart, Way Mease, Walker Brown, Ira Cogburn, Lenoir Moody, Mark Hannah, Reed Sutton.

Named on a dairy committee were Glenn C. Palmer, chairman, T. C. Davis, William Osborne and James Kirkpatrick.

Fruits and vegetables, Richard N. Barber, Jr., chairman, R. H. Boone, Henry Francis, C. D. Ketter and Charles Edwards.

Named on beef, a cattle committee were T. L. Gwyn, chairman, C. T. Francis, R. V. Welch, F. C. Greene, M. O. Galloway and Roy Haynes. Serving on a tobacco committee will be C. C. Francis, chairman, Dave Boyd, Mark Ferguson, C. R. Limer, W. G. Byers and W. P. Harris. Named on a general crops committee were Glenn Boyd, chairman, L. M. Leatherwood, William Osborne, E. B. Rickman, Leonard Westmoreland, Fred Campbell, Ira Cogburn, Robert Howell, Raymond (Continued on Page Eight)

639 Arrests Made Here During '47

Payment of Fines and Costs Reached Highest Total On Record

There were 639 arrests made by the Waynesville Police Department during 1947, averaging slightly more than 12 a week, and causing a total of \$11,800.10 to be paid in fines and court costs.

Records kept by G. C. Ferguson, town manager, show the following breakdown of charges: driving drunk 26, reckless driving 30, speeding 18, driving without a license 4, trespassing on water shed 12, violation of the prohibition law 13, and the remaining number for public drunkenness and other minor law violations.

Although the number of persons tried in local court has shown no appreciable increase, the payments in fines and costs is the largest on record. This is due to a large extent, to increases in fines for traffic violations as enacted by the General Assembly.

The \$5,042 in fines collected by the town go into the county school fund, and \$6,758.10 in costs are placed in the town's general fund.

FIREMEN ANSWER CALL

The Waynesville Fire Department answered a call Monday morning to the high school shop building, where some electric wires had been discovered smoking. Firemen disconnected the wiring and had the situation under control within a few minutes.

Rotarians Ready To Start Polio Campaign

Assignment for the coming polio campaign were given Friday by Richard Barber, general campaign chairman. As the Rotary Club has handled the fund raising for many years, the members were again given territories to work, and schedules to follow on the Dime Board.

The campaign will officially get underway on Thursday the 15th, and continue through the 31st. The quota for Haywood county is \$6,500, with the Canton area agreeing to raise \$3,300, and the Waynesville area the remaining \$3,200.

Jonathan Woody gave a report covering past work of the polio foundation's work in Haywood. He pointed out that 11 were now receiving treatment, and since 1938 some 117 persons in Haywood have shared in the polio funds. In 1947 there were 4 cases and 1 death, Mr. Moody said.

"Haywood has such a heavy load that we had to call on the National Foundation for an additional \$2,000 during the past year," he explained. Last year the county gave \$5,200, with half remaining at home, and the other sent to the National fund. In the event of a deficit at home, the National Foundation sends in sufficient funds.

Meet Called To Plan Rat-Killing Campaign

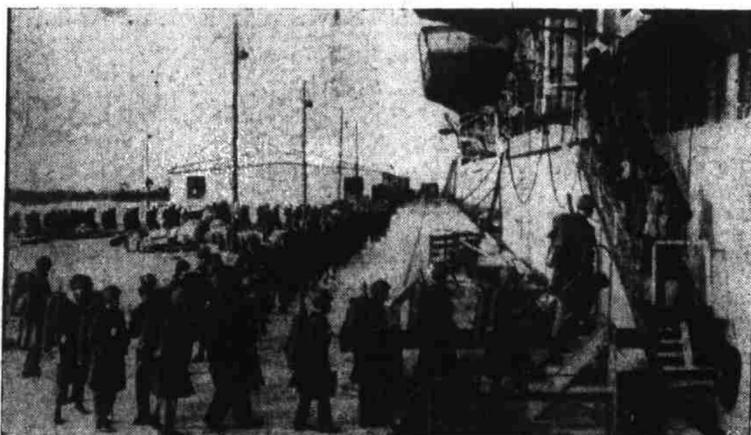
Plans for the annual rat-killing campaign throughout Haywood county will be laid at a meeting Wednesday at 7:30 in the county agent's office. Representative of the towns of Waynesville, Hazelwood, Clyde and Canton, the vocational agriculture teachers, members of the district health department, and the extension service workers will attend.

**Highway
Record For
1948
(To Date)**

**In Haywood
Injured ... 1
Killed ... 1**

(This Information Compiled From Records of State Highway Patrol)

U. S. Marines Embark For Mediterranean Area



A DETACHMENT of some 1,000 U. S. Marines is shown starting aboard the attack transport U. S. S. Bexar at Morehead City, N. C., ready for their Mediterranean area assignment. According to a U. S. Navy Department announcement, the Marines are being sent to restore the normal complement on an aircraft carrier and three light cruisers now operating in Italian and Greek waters. The State Department emphasized that "nothing in the way of foreign policy toward Greece or any other country called for increasing naval strength there," and that it was "just a matter of routine."

Commerce Directors Will Meet Tonight

The directors of the Chamber of Commerce will meet tonight at 7:30 for the first meeting of the new year. Wayne Corpening, president, has announced that a number of committees will be named, and an outline of the year's program completed.

Haywood Cooperative Pays Dividends; Ends Successful Period Here

All officers of the Haywood County Cooperative were re-elected by the board of directors in session here Saturday, in which encouraging reports of the business were heard. The directors declared a dividend of six per cent on all stocks, and a two per cent patronage refund.

J. L. Westmoreland, president, announced that H. M. Dulin, general manager, will mail all checks within the next ten days.

The Cooperative started selling merchandise in April, and staged the formal opening on July 5th. The year ended November 30th.

Officers of the cooperative are besides Mr. Westmoreland, president; Hugh Ratcliff, vice president; George Stamey, secretary and Sam Ferguson, treasurer.

Mr. Dulin made an encouraging report on the prospects of getting large stocks of fertilizers this spring.

Weather

(The United Press)

Jan. 13 — Occasional Tuesday morning fog clearing and colder Tuesday and night.
Waynesville temperature by the staff of the (Fam):
Max. Min.
56 18
57 45
50 27
43 11